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Whereas, as the 2004-2005 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Maplewood-Richmond Heights School District is losing a valuable member of its staff on October 15, 2005, with the retirement of Barbara Hosfeld who has devoted twenty-three years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a secretary; and

Whereas, Barbara Hosfeld has worked as a guidance secretary for several years at Maplewood-Richmond Heights Elementary School, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Barbara Hosfeld served as a building secretary at Bruce Elementary School and as a pre-school secretary at the Maplewood-Richmond Heights Early Childhood Center before assuming her current responsibilities as a guidance secretary; and

Whereas, Barbara Hosfeld's incredible ability to plan, organize, and carry out a rigorous schedule of daily activity in the office reflects creditably upon her strong work ethic and her steadfast dedication to a high standard of excellence; and

Whereas, prior to commencing her career in the Maplewood-Richmond Heights School District, Barbara Hosfeld enjoyed recognition as an employee of the United States Commerce Department and the City of St. Louis Billing Department; and

Whereas, Barbara Hosfeld leaves her duties and responsibilities at Maplewood-Richmond Heights Elementary School with tremendous satisfaction that she has always given more than one hundred percent to assure each student the best education possible:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join the Maplewood-Richmond Heights School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Barbara Hosfeld has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Barbara Hosfeld, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by
Representative Margaret Donnelly
District No. 73
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3970, adopted July 11, 2005.